

This proposal is silly. It attempts to hold amateur radio in the past, and thus severely limiting future membership.

Amateur radio is not an elitist club.

CW is an important mode, but no longer needs to be known by the station operator in all but the most extreme situations. Requiring manual CW is akin to requiring demonstrating proficiency at sending slow scan TV by whistling.

Amateur radio should be a means for technically competent people to work and experiment with RF.

The idea of allowing digital modes in HF, with significant bandwidth restrictions, is good though.

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